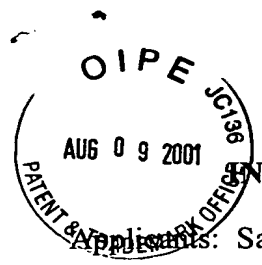


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Dear Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e), Applicants bring to the attention of the Examiner the patents listed on the attached Form PTO-1449, which may be material to the examination of this patent application and in respect of which there may be a duty to disclose in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.56. Applicants hereby state that each item of information contained in this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement was cited in a communication from a Foreign Patent Office in a counterpart foreign application within three months of the date of this filing. Applicants further state that no item of information contained in the information disclosure statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application, and, to the knowledge of the person signing the statement after making reasonable inquiry, no item of information contained in the information disclosure statement was known to any individual designated in § 1.56(c) more than three months prior to the filing of the information disclosure statement.

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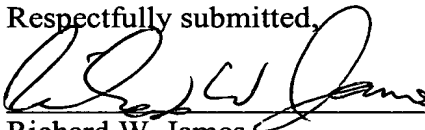
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